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Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, School Board and Other Officials

—— OF THE ——

TOWN OF GROTON

—— FOR ——

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1927

BRISTOL, N. H.
MUSGROVE PRINTING HOUSE
1927

Pd C. D. Jewell $115.00 elected
Annie Eaty 100.
Hibel 110.
Renick H 90.

S. A. Construction - $696.00
" " Maintenance - 1000.00
Town Charges 850.00
Bridge 800.00
Town debt 1000.00

Library Trustee Mrs Sawyer

Election 1927

Auditor
Katie Brown
Annie Esty

Surveyors
Elmer Matthews
C. D. Jewell

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR
AGNES A. LANE

CLERK AND TREASURER
GEORGE F. DUNKERTON

HEALTH OFFICER
CHARLIE D. JEWELL

LAND AGENT
CHARLIE D. JEWELL

TAX COLLECTOR
~~WARREN A. REMICK~~ C. D. Jewell

POLICE
HERBERT W. REMICK Edgar Kinney

CONSTABLE
SEWEL N. KINNE

SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION
EDD. SMITH FLORA B. REMICK
~~H. W. REMICK~~ Lizzie Jewell

LIBRARIAN
AGNES A. LANE

SELECTMEN
S. E. LANE S. N. KINNE
F. E. MATTHEWS

SCHOOL BOARD
~~ANNIE M. ESTY~~ IDA SMITH 2 years
~~MRS. R. A. CRAIG~~ Katie Brown 3 "
Lizzie Kinne 1 "

BUDGET OF TOWN OF GROTON

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for year ending Jan. 31, 1928, compared with with actual Revenues and Expenditures for year ending Jan. 31, 1927.

Sources of Revenues	1926	Estimated 1927
From state		
Saving bank tax	$ 112.78	$ 112.78
State aid maintenance	493.04	1,000.00
From local sources except taxes	143.82	125.00
Interest on taxes	33.28	
From poll taxes		
Polls, 67 at $2	134.00	134.00
From state for state aid		
Highway construction	425.19	700.00
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	$ 1,342.11	$ 2,071.78
Amount raised by property tax	11,237.22	11,237.22
Total revenues	$ 12,579.33	$ 13,308.22

Purposes of Expenditures	1926	Estimated 1927
Current maintenance expenses		
Town officers' salaries	$ 749.17	$ 500.00
Town officers' expenses	32.19	32.19
Police	10.50	10.50
Pine blister rust control	396.69	400.00
Bounties	64.40	20.00
Vital statistics	.25	
Highways and bridges		
State aid maintenance		
State's contribution	493.04	1,000.00
Town's contribution	1,327.26	1,000.00
Town maintenance	2,693.52	2,500.00
General expenses of highway department	150.60	
Libraries	15.00	15.00
Cemeteries	37.60	37.60
Abatements refunded	434.70	
Unclassified	494.93	494.93
Interest on temporary loans	403.00	200.00
State aid construction		
State's contribution	425.19	700.00
Town's contribution	699.18	650.00
Payment on principal of debt	1,300.00	1,000.00
Payments to other governmental divisions		
State taxes	975.00	975.00
County taxes	847.03	847.03
Payment to school districts	4,736.69	2,600.00
Total expenditures	$ 16,285.94	$ 12,981.25

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, APRIL 1, 1926

Land and buildings	$ 423,490.00
Horses, 45	4,120.00
Oxen, 2	200.00
Cows, 53	2,490.00
Other neat stock, 7	220.00
Sheep, 18	180.00
Fowl, 294	360.00
Portable mills, 5	4,225.00
Wood and lumber	22,550.00
Gas pump and tank, 1	300.00
Stock in trade	1,175.00
Mills and machinery	5,000.00
Total	$ 464.310.00
Polls, 64 at $2	$ 128.00
Rate per $100, $2.40	
Soldiers' exemptions	3,270.00
Property taxes levied	11,064.71

We certify that the above is a correct transcript of the footings of each column of taxable property, the amount of taxes levied and the rate of taxation in the town of Groton in the year 1926.

S. E. LANE,
S. N. KINNE,
F. E. MATTHEWS,
Selectmen.

APPROPRIATIONS

Made at Town Meeting, March, 1926

For state aid construction	$ 678.00
For state aid maintenance	1,000.00
Town highways and bridges	3,000.00
Pine blister rust control	400.00
Town charges	905.00
Town debt	500.00
Flags	2.00
School wood	100.00
State tax	975.00
County tax	847.03
Overlay	206.73

TOWN OF GROTON BALANCE SHEET
JANUARY 31, 1927

Assets

Cash in hands of treasurer		$ 513.99
Joint highway accounts unexpended		
Balance in state treasury		535.00
Bounties due from state		64.40
Trust fund		37.60
Taxes not collected, levy of 1923		72.31
Taxes not collected, levy of 1925		955.23
Total assets		$ 2,178.53
Excess of liabilities over assets		1,021.47
Grand total		$ 3,200.00
Net debt, Jan. 31, 1926	$ 854.63	
Net debt, Jan. 31, 1927	1,021.47	
Increase of debt	$ 166.84	

Liabilities

Accounts owed by town	
Outstanding temporary loans	$ 3,200.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, land and buildings	$ 1,000.00
Equipment	200.00
Libraries	560.00
Equipment	10.00
Highway department equipment	300.00
Material	30.00
Schools, land and buildings	1,700.00
Equipment	600.00
Total	$ 4,400.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1927

No. of autos taxed, 46	$ 141.82
No. of dogs taxed, 21	51.00
No fires reported in the year 1926	

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

Examined and found correct.

Jan. 31, 1927.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
C. E. MATTHEWS,
RAY A. CRAIG,
Auditors, Town of Groton.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1927

RECEIPTS

1923 taxes, Elwin G. Gould, collector	$ 224.08	
1923 interest	8.74	
		$ 232.82
1925 taxes, Percy H. Plume, collector	$ 1,495.63	
1925 interest	8.49	
		$ 1,504.12
1926 taxes, Warren A. Remick, collector	$ 11,371.22	
1926 interest	13.35	
		$ 11,384.57
1926 taxes redeemed	$ 41.36	
1926 interest and costs	2.70	
		$ 44.06
From state highway department	$ 918.23	
From town clerk, auto permits	141.82	
From town clerk, dog tax	51.00	
From state treasurer, savings bank tax	112.78	
From C. D. Jewell, filing fee	2.00	
		$ 1,225.83
Balance from 1925		2,408.53
		$ 16,799.93
Less selectmen's orders		16,285.94
		$ 513.99

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

Jan. 31, 1927.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
C. E. MATTHEWS,
RAY A. CRAIG,
Auditors, Town of Groton.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

From local taxes, 1926		
Amount committed to collector		$ 11,304.42
Less discount and abatements		67.20
Property taxes, current year, actually collected		$ 11,237.22
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected.		134.00
Property and poll taxes, previous year, actually collected		1,719.71
Total of above collections		$ 13,090.93
Tax sales redeemed		41.36
From state		
For state aid maintenance	$ 493.04	
For state aid construction	425.19	
		$ 918.23
Savings bank tax		112.78
From local sources, except taxes		
Dog tax		51.00
Licenses and permits		2.00
Interest on taxes		33.28
Motor vehicle fees		141.82
Total recipts from all sources		$ 14,391.40
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1926		2,408.53
Grand total		$ 16,799.93

PAYMENTS

General government	
Town officers' salaries	$ 749.17
Town officers' expenses	32.19
Pine blister rust control	396.69
Police	10.50
Bounties	64.40
Vital statistics	.25
State aid maintenance	1,820.30
Town maintenance	2,693.52
Expenses of highway department	150.60
Libraries	15.00
Cemeteries	37.60
Unclassified and taxes bought by town	929.63
Interest on notes	303.00
State aid construction	1,124.37
Payment on loan	1,400.00
State tax	975.00
County tax	847.03
Payments to school districts	4,736.69
Total payments for all purposes	$ 16,285.94
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1927	513.99
Grand total	$ 16,799.93

ABATEMENTS

Percy Plume, collector 1925	$ 367.50
W. A. Remick, collector 1926	67.20

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Frank E. Matthews, selectman	$ 97.73
Sewell N. Kinne, selectman	77.00
Jesse Johnson, collector 1924	75.00
Edd Smith, supervisor	33.75
E. E. Horne, auditor	7.00
H. W. Remick, supervisor	28.00
George F. Dunkerton, clerk and treasurer	90.00
Elizabeth Jewell, ballot clerk	3.50
Warren Remick, ballot clerk	3.50
F. O. Matthews, ballot clerk	3.50
Ida Smith, ballot clerk	3.50
A. A. Lane, moderator	10.50
Flora B. Remick, supervisor	21.04
A. A. Lane, librarian	15.00
Warren A. Remick, tax collector 1926	90.00
S. E. Lane, selectman	125.00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Pine blister rust	$ 396.69
Bounties	64.40
A. A. Lane, Free public library	15.00
Jackman & Lang, treasurer's bond	6.00
Gilman & Cavis, collector's bond	6.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	24.25
W. J. Randolph, transfers and deeds	1.76
Musgrove Printing House, town reports	51.16
Frank E. Matthews, putting up guide board	1.55
S. N. Kinne, for cemeteries	37.60
Auto Service Bureau	7.72
Geo. F. Dunkerton, supplies and housing spile driver	17.85
Warren Remick, tax sales	378.64

Jesse M. Johnson, tax books	$ 2.50
Frank E. Matthews, expenses	2.25
C. D. Jewell, guide on lots	7.00
H. W. Remick, police	7.50
S. N. Kinne, putting up tramps	3.00
Elmer E. Ladd, vital statistics	.25
S. N. Kinne, expenses	.38
George F. Dunkerton, postage	4.36
Interest on temporary loans	403.00
State tax	975.00
County tax	847.03
S. E. Lane, expenses, stamps, paper and telephone, horse and auto hire	79.35

EXPENDITURES FOR MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Districts No. 1 and 2

Perley D. Matthews, surveyor	$ 538.77
Under F. E. Matthews, for 1925:	
George C. Craig, 1926, breaking road	$ 62.25
C. E. Matthews, shoveling snow	2.33
George Hikel, shoveling snow	2.33
Under P. D. Matthews:	
P. D. Matthews and team	158.59
George F. Dunkerton and team	28.06
Ned Albert and team	23.37
C. E. Matthews and one horse	14.75
Frank Butterfield	4.68
Walter P. Hobart	1.56
Edward Hikel	7.00
H. E. Hutchins	2.00
Carroll G. Matthews	22.62
Charles Magoon	3.12
Frank Jewell	1.75
Herbert Butterfield	3.51
Frank Cilley	6.04
Shirley Jewell	3.00
S. E. Lane and team	26.16
Edgar Willey	7.00
Charles Gurney	10.50
Frank Gurney	5.45
George B. Gurney	2.93
Warren Remick	1.95
Edd Smith	4.67

Alvah C. Esty	$ 33.02
Claude F. Jesseman	3.50
Ernest E. Matthews	53.33
Frank E. Matthews	5.00
Nicolas Adams	6.00
Albert Matthews	32.30
Total	$ 538.77

Districts No. 3 and 4. Frank O. Matthews, Surveyor

Hebron snow plow	$ 7.00
Charles D. Jewell, for crossing field	5.00
Walter Lane	9.73
Frank O. Matthews, team and powder	126.76
John Matthews	16.73
Samuel E. Lane, team and powder	28.49
Samuel E. Lane, breaking road in 1925 and '26	30.14
O. G. Matthews and team	104.12
Arthur Brown and oxen	47.88
Mrs. Walter S. Brown, breaking road, 1925, '26	24.10
Wesley Brown, breaking road	4.28
Shirley Jewell	1.17
Harold W. Matthews	33.06
Charles E. Matthews and horse	35.88
Carrol G. Matthews	29.95
Frank E. Matthews	20.62
Edd Smith	30.73
	$ 555.64

Districts No. 5, 6, 7, 11. Jesse M. Johnson, Surveyor

Jesse Johnson, for 1925, '26	$ 757.43
George Tupper	$ 108.50
Jesse M. Johnson	225.27
Percy Plume	5.00
Laurence Ford	4.50
S. N. Kinne	224.77
S. E. Lane	31.50
W. Lane	36.75
Edd Houle	24.50
M. Houle	14.00
John Derrick	10.50
Arthur Brown	22.64
Guy Taylor	21.00
Geo. Davis	8.50
Charlie Ford	20.00
Total	$ 757.43

Districts No. 8, 9, 10. Elwin G. Gould, Surveyor

E. G. Gould, for 1926	$ 774.31
Edd Houle, for 1925 and 1926	$ 17.50
Fred Vinton, for 1925 and 1926	14.00
E. G. Gould and team	434.81
B. H. Gould and team	266.00
Ellie Stevens and team	59.50
S. Hemeon	14.00
Total	$ 805.81
Paid E. G. Gould by vouchers	774.31
Balance due E. G. Gould	$ 31.50

Groton Hollow Road. S. S. Guilds, Surveyor

S. S. Guilds, labor on road	$ 26.25

District No. 12. Edd Eastman, Surveyor

Edd Eastman, labor on road	$ 3.50
Charles Sawyer, labor on road	10.50
Total	$ 14.00

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE BILLS

North East Metal Culvert Co.	$ 150.00
Sharpening drills	.60
Total	$ 150.60

EXPENDED FOR STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Supervision of S. E. Lane

W. J. Lane and team	$ 356.22
S. N. Kinne and team	309.94
Geo. Tupper and team	321.22
S. E. Lane, team and dynamite	285.82
Jesse M. Johnson and team	152.45
Edd Houle, team and material	136.40
M. Houle, labor	59.50
H. W. Matthews, labor	22.94
C. G. Matthews, labor	35.00
A. A. Remick, twine and spikes	2.10
C. N. Merrill, cement	2.10
W. S. H. Remick, explosives	58.50
Charlie Ford, gravel	18.20
John Derrick, labor	110.06
Total	$ 1,870.45
Paid by vouchers	1,820.30
Balance due S. E. Lane	$ 50.15

EXPENDED FOR STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Supervision of S. E. Lane

Harold W. Matthews, labor	$ 71.94
Frank O. Matthews and team	138.83
George F. Dunkerton and team	119.78
John Matthews, labor	66.88
S. E. Lane, team and material	209.53
W. J. Lane and team	151.67
C. E. Matthews, labor and gravel	77.84
C. G. Matthews, labor	64.94
F. E. Matthews, labor	61.44
O. G. Matthews and team	122.11
W. P. Hobart, labor	57.94
A. A. Remick, twine	.30
R. C. Hatfield, damages to building	1.50
C. N. Merrill & Son, cement	10.00
H. E. Ferrin, freight	7.27
	$ 1,161.97
Paid S. E. Lane by vouchers	1,124.37
Balance due S. E. Lane	$ 37.60

Groton, N. H., Feb. 1, 1927.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
C. E. MATTHEWS,
RAY A. CRAIG,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

George W. Hall fund		$ 100.00
Interest on hand Feb. 1, 1926	$ 40.13	
Interest for 1926	4.25	
Total of interest	$ 44.38	
Money spent	20.25	
Total of interest on hand Jan. 31, 1927		$ 24.13
Cyrus Blood fund		$ 50.00
Interest on hand Feb. 1, 1926	$ 15.94	
Interest for 1926	2.13	
Total of interest on hand Jan. 31, 1927		$ 18.07

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REPORT OF LIBRARIAN AND TREASURER

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Amount on hand at beginning of year		$ 4.93
Received from town		15.00
books sold		20.00
fines		3.02
membership fees		.46
Total receipts		$ 43.41
Paid for books	$ 38.52	
Postage, money orders, etc.	.39	
Total expenditures		$ 38.91
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1927		$ 4.50

RESOURCES

Books owned at beginning of year	1,629
Books bought by town	39
Books added by gifts	4
Books owned at end of year	1,672
Magazines added by gifts	13
State documents	10
Magazines currently received	2

SERVICE

Volumes of non-fiction lent	5
Volumes of fiction lent	177
Unbound magazines lent	60
Total current circulation during year	242
New borrowers added during year	16
Regular borrowers	27
Total borrowers during year	43

No report was submitted by the assistant librarian at North Groton.

AGNES A. LANE,
Librarian and Treasurer.

Groton, N. H., Jan. 31, 1927.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GROTON

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF

School Treasurer and School Board

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1925, and ending June 30, 1926

AND

Budget for current year, expenditures to date, and proposed budget for year 1927-28

Treasurer's Report

Summary:		
Cash on hand June 30, 1925		$ 79.95
Received from selectmen		
Raised by taxation	$ 3,247.93	
Dog tax	39.00	
Received from state treasurer	873.67	
Received from all other sources	.75	
Total		$ 4,161.35
Total amount available for fiscal year		$ 4,241.30
Less school board orders paid		3,215.59
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1926		$ 1,025.71

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
District Treasurer.

July 3, 1926.

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Groton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and find them correct in all respects.

RAY A. CRAIG,
C. E. MATTHEWS,
Auditors.

July 9, 1926.

School Board's Report

Fiscal year ending June 30, 1926

Receipts:	
From selectmen by taxation	$ 3,247.93
From selectmen by dog licenses	39.00
Sale of property	.75
From state—equalization fund	873.67
Rceipts from all sources	$ 4,161.35
Cash on hand July 1, 1926	79.95
Grand total	$ 4,241.30

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Groton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

RAY A. CRAIG,
C. E. MATTHEWS,
Auditors.

July 9, 1926.

Financial Report of Groton School District

	Expend. ending June 30,'26	Budget 1926-27	Expended to date Jan. 31, '27	Proposed Budget 1927-28
Salaries of district officers	$ 58.75	$ 59.00	$ 10.00	$ 59.00
Superintendent's excess salary	139.48	108.91	112.04	109.00
Truant officer and school census	4.61	20.00	3.62	15.00
Expenses of administration	14.18	20.00	16.50	30.00
Teachers' salary	1,627.34	1,650.00	916.60	1,700.00
Text books	42.63	45.00	34.17	45.00
Scholars' supplies	59.39	50.00	30.64	50.00
Flags and appurtenances		5.00	5.88	
Other expenses of instruction	2.30	5.00	4.07	5.00
Janitor service	77.10	72.00	40.00	72.00
Fuel	87.40	133.00	86.67	135.00
Janitor supplies	8.93	10.00		10.00
Minor repairs and expenses	114.23	50.00	26.71	50.00
Medical inspection	15.00	15.00		15.00
Transportation of pupils	345.66	345.00	190.00	345.00
High school tuition	240.00	180.00	89.47	437.88
Elementary tuition	197.00	216.00		216.00
Alteration of old buildings	12.00			
New equipment	4.55			
Per capita tax	90.00	96.00	96.00	90.00
Bills from previous years	35.04		12.05	
Treasurer's report, check No. 1385	40.00			
Total payments	$ 3,215.59			
Cash on hand June 30, 1926	1,025.71			
Grand total	$ 4,241.30	$ 3,079.91	$ 1,674.42	$ 3,383.88

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, Chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

EARLE P. FREESE,
Superintendent.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
IDA L. SMITH,
ALICE W. CRAIG,
School Board.

July 3, 1926.

Budget for 1927-28

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1927.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures:

	High Schools	Elementary Schools	Totals
Support of schools			
Teachers' salaries		$ 1,700.00	$ 1,700.00
Text books		45.00	45.00
Scholars' supplies		50.00	50.00
Other expenses of instruction		5.00	5.00
Janitor service		72.00	72.00
Fuel		135.00	135.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies		10.00	10.00
Minor repairs and expenses		50.00	50.00
Health supervision		15.00	15.00
Transportation of pupils		345.00	345.00
Payment of tuitions	$ 437.88	216.00	653.88
	$ 437.88	$ 2,643.00	$ 3,080.88
Other statutory requirements			
Salaries of district officers			$ 59.00
Truant officer and school census			15.00
Superintendent's excess salary			109.00
Per capita tax			90.00
Other obligations—Administration			30.00
Total amount required to meet school board's budget			$ 3,383.88

Estimated Income of District:

Balance June 30, 1927	$ 200.00	
State aid	45.00	
Dog tax	40.00	
Total estimated income (not raised by taxation)		$ 285.00
Assessment required for school board's budget		$ 3,098.88
Special appropriations proposed		
Repairs and equipment, South Groton		$ 300.00
Total assessment to cover budget and appropriations		$ 3,398.88

To apply for state aid $2,402.06 must be raised for elementary schools.

VITAL STATISTICS

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1926

BIRTHS

In Groton, Jan. 4, 1926, to Bernard C. Smith and Vera Wilcomb Smith, a son, Bernard Clarence Smith.

MARRIAGES

In Hill, N. H., Oct. 4, 1926, by Rev. Charles W. Passey of Bristol, N. H., Albert E. Matthews of Groton to Ruth Marion Woodward of Hill.

In Hill, N. H., Dec. 17, 1926, by Rev. James McKenzie, Ai Quimby of Hill to Annie May Matthews of Groton.

DEATHS

In Groton, Apr. 3, 1926, Manvill W. Rowe, aged 75 years, 10 months, 9 days.

In Groton, May 19, 1926, Hoyt H. Eastman, aged 86 years, 3 months, 17 days.

In Franklin, N. H., Nov. 14, 1926, John H. Brown, aged 84 years, 1 month, 4 days.

I hereby certify that the above records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

Clerk - [illegible]

School committee [illegible]

" Lizzie Kane

Town and School auditors
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